Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Ruby May Pfotenhauer was born October 1, 1909, to Henry and Minnie Pfotenhauer; and,

Whereas, Ruby married Leon Howe on September 8, 1928, and to this union one daughter was born, Beverly, who in turn blessed them with two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Ruby will observe her 100th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as her friends and relatives gather to honor her and celebrate her life and the camaraderie of the day with an open house at Faith Lutheran Church in Pierre, South Dakota; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a woman who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 1, 2009, as

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in South Dakota, and I join all her friends and relatives in wishing her a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-third Day of September in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Nine.

M. Michael Rounds

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Teresa J. Gray, Deputy

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State